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The third test which can be brought to bear on history, that of works of art, can only be applied by specialists, and even by them with great caution. But if the facts which we learn about man from a piece of pottery or a tool or weapon are vague and general and do not extend to political detail, they are nevertheless impor-

Mr. Gardner says truly that there is an influence on the imagination exercised by the dealing with objective facts. History is verified

What are the fruits of absolute subjection on the one hand and of ruthless extortion on the other? Among those enumerated by the author are the following: the rapid lowering of the standard for farm labour to such an extent that in 1887 more than 103,000 recruits had to be rejected as physically unfit for military service; the 2,200 annual deaths, as against 1,900 births in Nischni Novgorod; the reduction of the population of the province from a minimum of 35 to a redoubtable maximum of 171 per thousand of the inhabitants; and, finally, a provincial famine every year without exception, and a national famine every eight years in a century. Drunkenness, we are told, is not merely encouraged by the ruling class in Russia, but is also used to increase the revenue, but as being one of the most efficacious means of governing the people.

was a Lutheran, refused to act upon the testimony of many of two Russian witnesses and dismissed the case, nor did he reopen it until a friend without a Lutheran, was produced. We are told that the Lutheran Judges, whether English or German, are not without a certain tolerance that avowses Russians like the prophet Jeremiah's people, "liars, thieves, adulterers, and perjurers," and that they are "not valiant for the truth upon the earth." In answer to Prof. Nikitenko, a very patriotic Russian, who said that the Russian people are "not valiant for the truth upon the earth," the Russian society lies every minute of its existence, in word and in deed, consciously and unconsciously. Mr. Lenin affirms that examples of this systematic untruth are as numerous as the stars in the firmament of the sea. He points out that, for instance, the Russian people are not valiant for the truth in many of their three Great Wars.

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